

I am highly concerned about the consolidation of media that has facilitated Sinclair Broadcasting's recent decision to force a partisan agenda on a huge block of the American public. Because Sinclair makes use of public airwaves at no cost, it should not contribute to the torrential partisan divide that is ripping this country apart. This will set a precedent for all large media companies and incentive for companies heavily invested in selfish financial interests to invest in and control the. Our democracy deserves better. A democratization of media will inhibit this activity and deliver a plurality of perspectives.

We need stronger media ownership rules. License renewal must depend on responsible broadcasting. Sinclair's decisions are not responsible. They are horrendous and make me fear dreadfully for our democracy.

Thank you.